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SUBJECT: TOKYO MEDIA REACTION - U.S.-RUSSIA FOREIGN MINISTERIAL
MEETING AND CHINA-RUSSIA SUMMIT

¶1. LEAD STORIES: Several Wednesday morning papers led with the Okinawa governor's submission to MOD of a position paper concerning the ministry's environmental impact survey on Futenma relocation.

¶2. "Russia Cautious about Sanctions on Iran" On Secretary of State Clinton's meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov in Moscow on Tuesday, the top-circulation, moderate Yomiuri wrote (10/14): "The two officials affirmed enhanced coordination in order to stop Iran's nuclear development. However, a schism emerged during the meeting between the U.S., which is keen to contain Iran's nuclear development by 'threatening' to employ additional sanctions, and Russia, which is cautious about sanctions."

¶3. "U.S., Russia to Coordinate on Missile Defense" The liberal Asahi reported from Moscow (10/14): "There are concerns that a failure to conclude a pact to succeed the START-1 Treaty by December would leave the impression that the 'resetting' of U.S.-Russia relations has suffered a setback. Both the U.S. and Russia are hoping to avoid making waves in bilateral relations in order to properly deal with the treaty issue. The two officials hence appeared to be eager to emphasize their bilateral 'honeymoon' in various aspects."

¶4. "China, Russia Trumpet Close Relationship" On Russian Prime Minister Putin's meeting with Chinese Premier Wen in Beijing on Tuesday, the conservative Sankei stated (10/14): "Mutual distrust is mounting between the private sectors of China and Russia in response to various types of friction including trade issues. However, the two leaders chose not to touch on such outstanding issues and instead underscored the closeness of their bilateral ties.... It appears that the two countries would like to prioritize bilateral unity in the face of the Obama administration's diplomatic offensive, which has commanded support from the international community."

